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In re application of: James K. Falbo

Application No.: 10/040,055

Group No.: 2825

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For: "Shape-Based Geometry Engine To Perform Smoothing And Other Layout Beautification Operations"

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231-0001

Date: March 13, 2002

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

- Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
- STATUS:** Applicant is other than a small entity.
- EXTENSION OF TERM:** The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- FEE FOR CLAIMS:** The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	54	Minus	54	= 0	x \$18 =	\$0
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First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$280 =	\$0
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No additional fee for claims is required.

- FEE DEFICIENCY:** If any additional extension and/or fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0574.

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